

NEWS OF THE LODGES.

RESULTS OF THE MASONIC ELECTIONS THE PAST WEEK.

Sketch and Portrait of Past High Priest Fugitt—What is Going on Among the Odd Fellows, Independent Mechanics, and in the Golden Cross.

SCOTTISH RITE—MITHRAS LODGE of Perfection—In accordance with the invitation of the master of Stansbury Lodge No. 34, F. and A. M., the members of Mithras Lodge of Perfection are requested to meet at the cathedral of the rite on SUNDAY, 6th December, at 12:15 p. m., to attend the funeral of our late brother, Henry Frederick Breuninger, 18th. Members will appear in the uniform of their rank. By order of
WM. OSCAR ROOME, 33rd.
ALEX. H. HOLZ, 32nd, Venerable Master.
de6-9 Secretary.

The following Masonic bodies will meet upon the evenings of the ensuing week:

Subordinate Lodges.—Masonic Temple—Benjamin B. French No. 15, Monday, 7th; Pentapla No. 33, Monday, 7th; Federal No. 1, Tuesday, 8th; New Jerusalem No. 9, Thursday, 10th; St. John's No. 11, Friday, 11th; Hope No. 20, Friday, 11th.

A. A. S. R. Sanctuary, 1007 G street—Acacia No. 18, Tuesday, 8th; Harmony No. 17, Thursday, 10th.

Masonic Hall, Georgetown—Potomac No. 5, Monday, 7th; George C. Whiting No. 22, Thursday, 10th.

Masonic Hall, Anacostia—Anacostia No. 21, Monday, 7th.

Royal Arch Chapters.—Masonic Temple—Washington No. 2, Thursday, 10th; Eureka No. 4, Friday, 11th.

Masonic Temple—Grand Royal Arch Chapter of the District of Columbia, Wednesday, 9th.

Masonic Hall, Brightwood—Brightwood No. 9, Wednesday, 9th.

Masonic Hall, Georgetown—Potomac No. 5, Tuesday, 8th.

Commanderies Knights Templar.—Masonic Temple—De Molay No. 4, Tuesday, 8th; Washington No. 1, Wednesday, 9th.

Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite.—Sanctuary 1007 G street—Evangelist Chapter Rose Croix, Tuesday, 8th.

The funeral of Dr. Edward Roome, notice of whose sad death appeared in the last issue, occurred Sunday, the 29th instant. Osiris Lodge No. 26 and the Scottish Rite bodies proceeded to the residence of the deceased, where the long line of carriages were vacated and the lodge receiving the remains, marched to St. Andrew's Church under escort of the Scottish Rite. At the entrance to the church the Rev. Dr. Crockett received the casket and headed the mournful procession as it slowly proceeded toward the altar, the male choir chanting the offices of the dead. The services were conducted by the pastor, Rev. J. B. Perry, assisted by the Rev. Dr. Crockett, and were interspersed with the hymns, "Abide With Me," "Nearer, My God, to Thee," and "Still, Still With Thee," sung by Brothers Holmes, Buchanan, Abbott, and Hancock, all personal friends of the deceased. At the conclusion of the services the lodge again assumed charge of the remains and proceeded to Rock Creek Cemetery, where the Masonic services were conducted by Fred E. Tasker, Worshipful Master of Osiris Lodge. The parlor in which the body lay guarded by members of the Rite was literally filled with floral tributes of friends, among which were a broken column from Osiris Lodge, and "The Gates Ajar" from the Rite. The honorary pallbearers were Dr. G. C. Walling, Dr. A. J. Huntington, Professor A. P. Montague, Professor I. H. Gore, Hon. J. O. Wilson, Hon. William L. Wilson, Rev. S. H. Green, Dr. L. D. Wilson, Dr. J. B. G. Gustis, Dr. Daniel H. Riggs, Dr. Ira W. Dennison, C. W. Bennett, and G. W. Balloch. The active bearers were Professor B. L. Hodgkins, Professor Lee D. Lodge, Professor M. F. F. Swartzell, Mr. N. Landon Burchell, Alfred S. Gage, J. H. Trimble, E. M. Willis, Howard T. Woods, and L. C. Williamson. The officers of the lodge were as follows: Fred E. Tasker, W. M.; A. M. Lambeth, S. W.; W. H. Barstow, J. W.; William G. Burns, Treasurer; J. W. Van Vleet, Secretary; C. A. Riddle, S. D.; E. L. Robinson, J. D.; W. L. Bryden and William Foss, Stewards; Henry Hoffer, Tiler; D. M. Criddle, Marshal; William Van Vleet, Bearer Great Lights, and J. A. Cahill, William Garner, and Francisco Losano, Bearers Lesser Lights. Brother Joseph C. Taylor, 33d degree, acted as marshal of the Scottish Rite.

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Washington Commandery No. 1 conferred the Red Cross Wednesday evening, and on next Wednesday will confer the Order of the Temple in full uniform.

DeMolay Commandery will confer the Red Cross Tuesday evening.

The present officers of Naval Chapter No. 4 were re-elected for the ensuing year with the reception of William Briggs, who is now Excellent Scribe vice Elmer S. Berkeley.

The election in Eureka Chapter No. 4 resulted as follows: B. F. Larcombe, M. E. H. P.; J. G. At Lee, E. K.; W. S. Jenks, E. S.; A. J. Thompson, Secretary; and W. H. H. Goods, Treasurer.

Brightwood Chapter No. 9 elected officers as follows: Henry Yost, M. E. H. P.; S. C. Stokes, E. K.; J. M. F. Dowling, E. S.; G. W. Balloch, Treasurer; Abram Frey, C. of H.; A. McChesney, P. S.; D. E. Monnt, R. A. C.; Valis: John Mayne, first; Thomas Calver, second; John Frohlich, third; Charles Mattingly, Sentinel.

The officers elected in National Lodge No. 12 Tuesday evening was as follows: Harry L. Walcott, W. M.; 410 Sixth street northeast; Dr. William E. Handy, S. W.; Theodore Frisbus, Jr., J. W.; Stephen F. Gill, Secretary (eleventh term), 419 Eleventh street; John L. Vogt, Treasurer (twelfth term). The installation of the W. M. occurred the same evening.

Toilet Sets, Antique Oak Cases, hand carved. Elections will be held this week as follows: Monday evening, Benjamin B. French Lodge No. 15, Pentapla Lodge No. 23, Potomac Lodge No. 5, and Anacostia Lodge No. 21; Tuesday evening, Federal Lodge No. 1, Acacia Lodge No. 18, and Potomac Chapter No. 8; Thursday evening, Harmony Lodge No. 17, New Jerusalem Lodge No. 9, and George C. Whiting Lodge No. 22; Friday evening, St. John's Lodge No. 11 and Hope Lodge No. 20. On Wednesday evening the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of the District of Columbia will hold the annual convocation for transaction of business and election of officers for the ensuing year.

The postponed banquet of La Fayette Chapter No. 5 will be held to-morrow evening. A full account of the banquet will appear in next Sunday's issue.

"Derby" Ware, in pretty designs, Williams'. The election of La Fayette Chapter No. 5 resulted as follows: W. W. Ludlow, H. P.; State Department; S. M. Yeatman, E. K.; S. G. Nottingham, E. S.; W. A. Craig, Secretary, 1234 Twelfth street northwest, re-elected eight times; A. F. Fox, Treasurer, re-elected five times; F. L. Campbell, Trustee. The above officers will be installed Tuesday evening December 8, 1891.

The following Sir Knights, from Baltimore, visited Columbia, No. 2, Friday, December 4: Past Grand Commander C. H. Mann, Past Grand Commander C. C. Isaacs, Deputy Grand Commander William H. Ruby, Grand Recorder John H. Miller, James A. Whiting, Treasurer Maryland Commandery No. 1; Sir Knights Thomas O. Morris and William Griffith, Monumental Commandery No. 3; Sir Knight Walter A. Cox, Crusade Commandery No. 5; Em. Sir Warner Wilbite, of Crawfordville Commandery, of Indiana. Special convocations of the commandery will be held Monday and Friday of this week.

Mount Horeb R. A. Chapter No. 7 elected and installed the following named officers for the ensuing year Thursday evening: Aaron H. Bell, M. E. H. P.; Delos T. Marring, E. K.; F. K. Van Auker, E. S.; Fielder Hunter, C. of H.

Hiram Lodge election December 4 resulted as follows: William L. Stuard, W. M.; G. M. Ulline, S. W.; W. S. Hareham, J. W.; J. W. Wrenn, Secretary; P. H. Ward, Treasurer; T. K. Van Auker, S. D. The other appointments will be made at next meeting.

The officers elected in La Fayette Lodge No. 19 Thursday evening were: Leonard C. Wood, W. M.; Thomas W. Criddle, S. W.; J. W. Townsend, J. W.; Henry S. Merrill, Secretary; Albert F. Fox, Treasurer; A. B. Coolidge, S. D.; Boone Chambers, J. D.; F. Warren Johnson, S. S.; John B. Dalsg, J. S. There were 170 votes polled on each ballot, a very large number for a Masonic election.

Sir Knight E. Turkenha, of Potomac Commandery No. 3, who some weeks ago accidentally fractured his left leg, is rapidly recovering.

The annual election of officers for Post Commandery No. 3, K. T., took place Wednesday evening and resulted as follows: Sir Knight R. W. Darley, Eminent Commander, (fourth term); Sir Knight A. B. Bennett, Generalissimo; Sir Knight J. F. R. Appleby, Prelate; Sir Knight Frank Tennyson, Senior Warden; Sir Knight William B. Easton, Junior Warden; Sir Knight John H. Schultz, Treasurer; Sir Knight Fred W. Storch, Recorder; Sir Knight F. P. Davis, Warden.

Handsome Bottles, 17, 20, 35c. pair Williams'. Washington Commandery No. 1 will confer the Order of the Temple at a special convocation Tuesday evening.

The election of officers in Lebanon Lodge No. 7, December 4, 1891, resulted as follows: William Watson, W. M.; L. D. Wilson, S. W.; S. R. Waters, J. W.; D. G. Dixon, Secretary, eighth term; Thomas Taylor, Treasurer, eighth term; E. G. Davis, Trustee. The above-named officers were installed.

At the convocation of La Fayette Chapter No. 3 Tuesday evening, the recently-elected Excellent King of Mount Vernon Chapter No. 3, William Oscar Roome, was present accompanied by James H. Trimble, Grand Visitor and Lecturer. Prior to the election of the chapter Companion Roome was installed as Excellent King of Mount Vernon Chapter by Noble D. Lamer, Most Excellent Past General Grand High Priest of the United States, in accordance with the request of James H. Wardle, High Priest of Mount Vernon Chapter.

Columbia Chapter No. 1 elected officers as follows: Thomas F. Henry, M. E. H. P.; A. W. Johnson, E. K.; E. A. Hellig, E. S.; E. H. Chamberlin, Secretary; L. G. Stephens, Treasurer; M. M. Parker, Trustee for three years; S. E. Tomlinson, C. of H.; F. H. Thomas, P. G.; B. A. Allen, R. A. C.; R. E. Constant, 3d V.; J. G. Hodges, 2d V.; J. E. Arnold, 1st V.; and L. Stoddard, Sentinel.

Osiris Lodge elected officers as follows: A. M. Lambeth, W. M.; W. H. Barstow, S. W.; Albert Riddle, J. W.; F. E. Tasker, Secretary; W. G. Burns, Treasurer, and L. C. Williamson, delegate to Board of Relief and St. John's Mite Association.

Great assortment holiday goods. Williams'. Washington Centennial Lodge No. 14 elected officers as follows: John H. Small, W. M. (re-elected); E. C. C. Winter, S. W.; Robert Connell, J. W.; E. C. Elmore, Secretary (twelfth term); H. N. Keene, Treasurer, and John J. Hill, Tiler.

The M. W. Grand Master of Louisiana, Brother Charles L. Buck, visited Osiris Lodge Wednesday evening.

Columbia Lodge elected officers as follows: George S. King, W. M. (re-elected); W. P. Tullock, S. W.; Bunyan Olive, J. W.; W. S. Macgill, Secretary (re-elected); Harry Darrah, Treasurer (re-elected); Robert Austin, S. D.; Smith Pedego, J. D.; M. Swan, S. Steward; Robert Sutton, J. Steward; W. W. Wetzel, Marshal; W. H. Myers, Tiler; Harry Darrah, delegate to Masonic Board of Relief (re-elected), and Brother Vale, Trustee of lodge (re-elected).

THE LATE DR. ROOME.

Honors to His Memory by the Faculty and Students of Columbian College.

The faculty and students of the Columbian College assembled at 9 o'clock on Monday, November 30, 1891. After the reading of the Scriptures and prayer, Professor A. J. Huntington, D. D., acting as president in the absence of Dr. Welling, delivered an address upon the life and character of Dr. Edward Roome, late adjunct professor of the Greek language.

The address was solemn, impressive, and eloquent. The speaker dwelt particularly upon the brilliant intellect, the constant industry, the exact and profound scholarship, and the pure christian character of his deceased colleague. After Dr. Huntington's address the college and the preparatory school adjourned for the day in honor of the memory of Professor Roome.

Immediately after the adjournment a special session was held, Acting President Huntington in the chair, and Dr. Shute secretary. A committee consisting of Professors Montague, chairman; Gore, Hogkins, and Lodge then offered the following resolutions, which were unanimously adopted, and Professor Montague was requested to forward to Mrs. Edward Roome and Major William Oscar Roome copies of the same.

"Whereas it has pleased God in His providence to remove from earth our friend and

colleague, Dr. Edward Roome, adjunct professor of Greek in the Columbian College,

"Resolved, That we, the members of the faculty, in special meeting assembled, do deplore the loss which the university has sustained in the death of one of its most gifted graduates and instructors; that we mourn his death not only as that of a most accomplished scholar and a pre-eminently successful teacher, but also as that of a faithful friend, a beloved associate, and a conscientious Christian gentleman, whose noble qualities and amiable character equalled his profound scholarship; that mourning the death of this brilliant scholar and faithful teacher, whose life with its splendid possibilities and bright promises has been so soon cut off, we desire to express to his afflicted wife and family our tender sympathy and our own sense of personal bereavement; that copies of these resolutions be sent to the family of the deceased professor.

MASONS OF NOTE—IX.

Robert E. Fugitt, Past High Priest of Mount Horeb Chapter No. 7.

Robert E. Fugitt, Past High Priest of Mount Horeb Chapter No. 7, was born in the city of Philadelphia, May 13, 1861. He attended the public schools of that city until 1876, at which time his parents moved to Washington where his father engaged in business and when success was about to crown his efforts he died,

leaving his son at the age of 16 the sole care of his mother. He secured a position in the medical department of the Army which he held for four years, during which time he attended the night sessions of the Spencian Business College. On July 2, 1881, he was appointed by the Hon. Robert T. Lincoln, then Secretary of War, to a position in the Quartermaster General's Office, in which office he is now employed, and by close application to duty has been promoted three times. In 1882 he petitioned Hiram Lodge for the degrees of Freemasonry which he received in that year; not being very well acquainted in the West End at that time and a number of his associates being members of La Fayette Lodge he dimitted from Hiram and affiliated with La Fayette of which lodge he is now a member. In 1887 he received the Captular degrees in Mount Horeb Chapter and was appointed G. M. of the First Vell in the same year and served the chairs in succession, and has now the honor of being its Junior Past M. E. H. P. In 1888 he received the orders of knight-hood in Washington Commandery No. 1, K. T. In 1890 he received the 14th degree, A. A. S. R., in Mithras Lodge of Perfection, and in the same year received the 18th degree in Evangelist Chapter Rose Croix, A. A. S. R., and last but not least he has led the hosts of the desert and feasted on the sacred bread and received the title of Noble of the Mystic Shrine, A. A. O. N. M. S.

Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

If the Recording Secretaries or some other members in the several lodges, who may feel an interest in keeping this column replete with news showing the doings of the order, will send items of interest to this office, care editor I. O. O. F. column, or to Grand Master H. C. Hazard, or Deputy Grand Master Crueshawn, the same will reach their intended destination and receive proper attention.

The fifty-first anniversary of Union Lodge No. 11 was celebrated Monday evening in the lodge room in the National Capital Bank Building, a large attendance being present. The lodge room was handsomely decorated with degree scenery and tropical plants. After the opening of the lodge the reading of the minutes, and listening to the report of the visiting committee and appropriating the necessary sick benefits, a recess was declared and the anniversary ceremonies began. P. G. D. L. Hazard presiding. The Secretary, P. G. Richard Emmons, gave a brief history of the lodge since the last anniversary, followed by banjo solo by Brother W. S. Crown. The audience then witnessed an interesting stereopticon exhibition, conducted by P. G. William J. Palmer, and after a song by the Noble Grand, George Clark, the Rev. J. E. Nicholson, P. G., pastor of the First M. F. Church, was introduced and delivered the address of the evening, which was replete with words of encouragement and praise to the members of Union Lodge. Brother Crown then favored the audience with a song with banjo accompaniment. Among those present and taking part in the exercises were the Rev. Augustus Mather, pastor North Carolina Avenue M. P. Church; Grand Master H. C. Hazard, Grand Secretary W. P. Allan, P. G. James E. Hutchinson, D. L. Hazard, Wm. J. Palmer, Brothers Robert Wood, Pixley, and others. The description of the telephone by Past Grand Richard Emmons was exceptionally well rendered. All present were furnished by the committee with bouquets as souvenirs of the evening. The chairman of the refreshment committee, P. G. T. Edward Clark, Jr., aided by Brothers Steins, George and Allan Clark, Chesaldine, Berry, Knight, Gallagher, Jones, Scott, Grove, and Blunt, kept the large audience well supplied with "good things;" and after listening to a very interesting and instructive lecture by Professor George C. Ober, P. G., of the faculty of the Georgetown Medical College, in which much good advice was given, the meeting adjourned.

The examination of the officers of Magenu Encampment No. 4 before the officers of the Grand Encampment, on November 27, mentioned incidentally in the last issue of the HERALD, deserves more than passing comment. The meeting was one of the brightest and most interesting in the history of the order in this jurisdiction, and after the rendition of the written and unwritten work by the officers of the encampment, nothing

but words of praise were heard on every hand. Grand Patriarch R. H. Sorrell and Grand Representative R. A. McLean, the examining officers, declared the examination to be far in advance, in point of excellence, of any that have been conducted during the present series of visitations to the subordinate encampments. The examination was confined to the progressive officers of the encampment, Senior Warden R. H. Lewis and Junior Warden J. B. Stahl, both of whom passed an absolutely perfect examination; and had the other officers been given a chance they would have demonstrated an equally perfect knowledge of the work of the order. During the evening the Grand Patriarch introduced Canton Potomac, whose presence did much to make the meeting a success. The after-meeting, presided over by the Grand Patriarch, was addressed by that officer, the Grand Representative, Grand High Priest A. S. Webster, Grand Senior Warden J. E. Hutchinson, Grand Junior Warden P. L. Hazard, Grand Marshal G. W. Ulline, P. G. P. W. R. Newman, P. G. P. G. A. Shaeckford (captain Canton Potomac), Lieutenant D. C. W. Ourand, Ensign James Hughes, P. C. P. J. Reisner, of Missouri; Past High Priest Henry C. Hazard, Past Chief Patriarch J. W. Colley, Past Chief Patriarch W. P. Allan, Past Chief Patriarch George C. Ober, and John E. Harrell, the honored Treasurer of the encampment. During the evening thirty-six dozen fried oysters, with trimmings, prepared by the skillful hands of Sister William P. Allan, of Naomi Lodge, were enjoyed by those present.

Washington Lodge No. 6 has started the idea of erecting a monument at the grave of Oliver Dufour, P. G. M. and P. G. R., to fittingly commemorate his life, work, and character, as an Odd Fellow.

When Federal City Lodge No. 20 moved to its present quarters in Northeast Washington, and started, as it were, anew, old Central Lodge No. 1 rendered it material aid in assisting in the conferring of degrees upon its candidates. On last Friday evening the new efficient degree staff of Federal City Lodge, in response to an invitation previously given, visited Central Lodge and exemplified in a masterly manner, the degree of Brotherly Love upon several candidates. At the close of the degree work the officers of Federal City Lodge received quite an ovation, and all present adjourned to the Blue-Room and partook of the hospitality of Old Central Lodge.

On Thursday evening the officers of the Grand Lodge paid an official visitation to Columbia Lodge No. 10, and witnessed a fine exemplification of the work by the officers of Columbia Lodge. The examination was conducted by Grand Representative M. D. Brainard, who pronounced the officers thoroughly posted. Remarks were made by Grand Master H. C. Hazard, Deputy Grand Master B. F. Crueshawn, Grand Treasurer J. A. B. Espey, P. G. M. Thomas W. Fowler, Grand Guardian C. R. Dufour, Grand Representative Brainard, P. G. C. Bean, of Covington, Ky.; Brothers J. E. Corsa and C. H. Kaus, of Potomac Lodge, of Alexandria, Va.; P. G. E. H. Murray, of Mizpah Lodge, of Buffalo, N. Y.; Brother W. A. Brockhurst, of San Francisco, and Brother William Humphreys, of Grinnville, N. Y. P. G. Boss received the congratulations of the Grand Masters, it being his fiftieth anniversary in Odd Fellowship. The report of the Grand Treasurer disclosed the fact that Columbia Lodge had paid out since July an average of \$30 per week in sick benefits. Past Grand A. J. Donaldson announced that the committee on widows and orphans would give an entertainment at National Rifles' Armory on December 18, the proceeds to be applied to supplying the widows of the lodge with Christmas turkeys.

I. O. O. F. Briefs.—The Grand Officers visited Mechanics' Lodge in West Washington on Friday evening. The last of the series of grand visitations to the subordinate lodges will be to Eastern Lodge No. 7 on Friday evening, December 11. P. G. E. L. Lomax, who has so faithfully filled the office of Grand Instructor for Columbia Lodge No. 10, will leave on the 18th for San Francisco, his old home, where he expects to locate again. Mount Nebo Encampment had a candidate for the Royal Purple degree Wednesday evening. Union Lodge will confer the Initiatory degree to-morrow evening. Excelsior Lodge works the 1st degree to-morrow night. Grand Representative Brainard has returned to the city much improved in health. Late reports from Raleigh, N. C., announce a marked improvement in the condition of Grand Sir C. M. Busbee. Central Lodge will work the 3d degree Friday evening. Brother Christopher Lewis, a old member of Union Lodge No. 11, and Magenu No. 4, and father of Patriarch R. H. Lewis, the present Senior Warden of said encampment, died suddenly Thursday afternoon. He had been suffering for some time from heart failure, but his death was unexpected. The funeral will take place this afternoon, the lodge and encampment participating. Representatives from Harmony, Washington, Federal City, Oriental, Golden Rule, Friendship, and other lodges of this jurisdiction, besides a large number of visitors from abroad were present at the anniversary ceremonies of Union Lodge Monday evening. The anniversary celebration of Beacon Lodge has been postponed.

Golden Cross Notes.

The last of the semi-annual visitations of the Grand Commandery was made to Capital Commandery on the 28th. The 3d degree was exemplified in competition for the prize for the best rendition of the ritualistic work by the following officers: Noble Commander Frank E. Newton, Vice Noble Commander Mrs. Mary E. Peabody, Worthy Prelate Theo. F. Swayze, Past Noble Commander Daniel L. Gold, Worthy Herald Miss Marguerite McCutchen, Warden Inner Gate Mrs. L. W. Swayze. The degree was worked in a very impressive and imposing manner. The attendance was very large, and embraced visitors from all the commanderies. Under the good of the order a recitation was given by Sir Knight Carl F. W. Bergman, of Alpha Commandery, New Haven, Conn., and a song by Sir Knight B. A. Beebe, of St. John's. Speeches were made by Sir Knights W. W. Granger, T. F. Swayze, O. B. Hallam, J. B. Diver, Noble Commander Newton, and others.

National Commandery gave a complimentary literary and musical entertainment Monday evening to a large and appreciative audience composed of the members and their friends. The programme, which was excellently rendered, was as follows: Remarks on the beneficial features of the order, by Grand Commander Ehle and Past Grand Prelate Dr. W. W. Granger; piano solos, by Miss J. Kesler and Carrie J. Moss, vocal solos by Mrs. Ida M. Whittington and Mr. Bela A. Beebe, humorous songs by Mr. J. S. Moss, recitations by Mrs. Dr. H. E. Leach, Miss May Martin, Miss Edith Dodge, and Mr. Carl F. Bergman; cornet solo, "Love's Old Sweet Song," by Mr. E. A. Rosenbaum, accompanied on the piano by Mr. William T. Flather; banjo solo, "The Royal Blue Line March," by Mr. L. A. Callan, accompanied on the piano by Mr.

Leon Weaver. Deputy Grand Commander R. H. Yates presided with his usual grace and dignity.

At Anacostia Commandery on Wednesday evening Noble Commander Thomas J. Putnam presided. Applications for membership were received from Charles R. Burr, Louis M. Turner, Abram B. Frisbie, and Mrs. Emily A. Frisbie. The semi-annual election of officers for this commandery will take place on Wednesday, December 16.

At Halcyon Commandery on Friday evening Noble Commander W. S. Steison presided. Application for membership was received from William C. Van Hoy. At the next meeting on Friday, December 18, the commandery will elect officers and vote on the question of uniting the senior and junior lasses.

Independent Order Mechanics.

Capital Lodge No. 11 held its regular meeting Friday night, Worthy Master J. V. McLean in the chair. Brother H. F. Truxell is still very ill. Grand Architect R. B. Wilson, Vice Grand Architect George W. Berry, Grand Conductor Meyers, and Recording Secretary J. R. Fagan, of La Fayette Lodge No. 13, were present. There has been a great increase in attendance since this lodge changed its meeting to Friday night.

At the session of La Fayette Lodge No. 13, Thursday night, Brother C. E. Cassell received the 3d or Mechanic's degree. Brother Charles Sonne received the Master's degree. Owing to important business this lodge will meet at 7 o'clock Thursday night, December 10. Every member is requested to be present. Third degree due. The quintette of this lodge will give an entertainment December 16 at Concordia Hall. Let the order give them a boucaner. Worthy Master H. B. Denham was taken ill on Thursday and is confined to his home, 602 Twenty-third street northwest.

At the meeting of Anchor Lodge No. 9, Monday night, Past Master S. W. Gillingham in the chair, Brother W. N. Gillingham, who has been confined to the house the past month, was reported well. On Monday night next the following degrees will be due: Brother James Pursell 2d, and Brother Samuel J. Reed, Jr., 3d degree. Grand Architect R. B. Wilson and Vice Grand Architect George W. Berry, of this jurisdiction, and Deputy Grand Architect W. K. Butler, of Goodwill Lodge No. 13, of Charlottesville, Va., were present.

The news of the death of Past Master J. G. Weaver, of Columbia Lodge No. 1, which occurred Friday night at 8 o'clock, will be heard with sorry to his many friends. The funeral from his late residence will take place to-day, December 6, at 3:30. The body will be placed in the vault at Congressional Cemetery. Officers of the Grand Lodge are requested to attend his funeral.

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